

BILL PASSED BY HOUSE HITS ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFIC HARD BLOW

PROVIDES FINE AND JAIL TERM

Not One Dissenting Voice on Measure to Prohibit Any Narcotic Imports.

A sharp blow is aimed at the illicit drug traffic in the United States and the opium curse in China in the anti-narcotic bill passed by the House yesterday.

The measure came from the Ways and Means Committee with the solid backing of both Republicans and Democrats, and in the brief discussion on the floor was urged by both parties. Not a voice on either side was raised against it, and the chorus of ayes on a viva voce vote eliminated the formality of a roll call.

Provisions of Bill.

The legislation now goes to the Senate, where it is hoped its passage may be expedited.

The bill is designed to carry into full effect the obligations assumed by the United States under the International Opium Convention of 1912. Its chief provisions are:

1. Absolute prohibition against the importation of any narcotic drug, except crude opium coca leaves in such amounts as the "Federal Narcotics Control Board," which the bill creates, finds necessary for medical and legitimate uses only. The board is to be composed of the Secretaries of State, Treasury and Commerce.
2. Absolute prohibition against the exportation of smoking opium and opium prepared for smoking, and prohibition against the exportation of any narcotic drug to any other country, except to those countries which are parties to the opium convention and maintain adequate licensing systems for the control of imports. To such countries exports may be made, with the permission of the board, which shall demand proof that the drugs proposed for exportation are to be applied exclusively for medical and legitimate uses within the country to which they are to be exported, that they will not be re-exported, and that there is an actual shortage of and a demand for such drug for medical and legitimate uses in that country.

3. Absolute prohibition against admission to the United States of shipments of smoking opium or opium prepared for smoking in transit to another country, and a similar prohibition against shipments in transit of all narcotic drugs, except when the permission of the board is obtained.

\$5,000 Fine Provided.

A fine of \$5,000 and imprisonment of ten years is provided for violations of the proposed law. This penalty would apply to any person who smuggles in drugs or has any connection with their handling after they are brought in. Summary seizure and confiscation is provided in case of smuggled drugs being discovered.

An alien resident of the United

Sun Will Let You Know Weather 1 Week In Advance

Weather can be accurately forecast a week in advance by watching sun spots, Dr. C. G. Abbot, director of the astrophysical laboratory of the Smithsonian Institution, has reported to the National Academy of Sciences.

The weather bureau of Argentina sent out forecasts a week in advance based upon solar observations telegraphed in daily from the Smithsonian observatory at Montezuma, Chile, Dr. Abbot said.

Whenever a series of spots passes across the surface of the sun the amount of heat and light given off falls from 1 to 5 per cent. Any change in the sun's rays has an effect upon the weather and electrical conditions of the earth. The latter also affects radio communication, excessive electrical conditions producing static, which deranges transmission.

Dr. Abbot said that the heat radiated from the sun amounts to 194 calories per square centimeter per minute. This would be sufficient to melt a layer of ice 424 feet thick all around the sun.

States convicted of bringing in or disposing of the drugs in violation of the proposed law would be deported after completion of his court sentence. Possession of imported drugs is made prima facie evidence of guilt.

A penalty equal to the value of the drug is imposed upon the master of a ship on which a narcotic drug is not shown on the vessel's manifest is brought into an American port, and such penalty is made a lien on the vessel.

Urging enactment of the proposed legislation to remedy a rapidly growing evil in the United States, Congressman Watson (Rep.) of Pennsylvania asserted that the use of drugs in this country has been especially noticeable since prohibition went into effect.

In New York, Congressman Watson declared, Commissioner Coker has reported that in 1918 there were 115 addicts treated in hospitals, while in 1921 there were 980, "an increase of nearly 900 per cent since prohibition."

Mr. Watson continued: "Last year \$7,000,000 was appropriated to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment. There was only \$200,000 appropriated to prevent frauds and smuggling in connection with the opium habit, which, of course, is not sufficient to control smuggling opium and its derivatives into this country."

The Pennsylvania Congressman, who was a member of the ways and means subcommittee which framed the bill, said it "is creditably reported that one Glendayna, as late as 1895, was the first white man to smoke opium in the United States." He added:

"Since then it has spread to every part of the country. Statistics, as far as they can be obtained, show there are 600,000 addicts in the country and perhaps 4,000,000 in all who are subject to addiction."

Congressman Miller (Rep.) of Washington, author of the bill, declared that in late years the use of morphine and cocaine has spread until it is equally alarming to the civilized world as opium was in its day.

An interchange of questions and answers between Mr. Miller and Congressman Dyer of Ohio, revealed that the principal source of the opium supply in China is in the United States. The drug first is imported into the United States and then shipped to Japan, whence it is continuously poured into China in flagrant violation of Chinese customs laws.

Mr. Dyer declared "there are two or three concerns in this country that do or have been doing this thing. One of them is located in Philadelphia." Mr. Miller replied that he thought "that condition will be effectively blocked by the enactment of this legislation."

Congressman Hadley (Rep.) of Washington, chairman of the Ways and Means subcommittee which framed the legislation and in charge of it on the floor, said an alarming state of facts with regard to diversion of Chinese drug exports from the United States had been developed.

Explains Purpose of Bill.

The outstanding purpose of the bill, however, he declared, is the prevention of illegitimate uses of narcotics in the United States and the consequent demoralizing effect on the citizenship. "The difficulty heretofore encountered by the customs authorities in preventing smuggling of opium, he said, will be largely overcome by restricting importations to crude opium."

Congressman Lazaro (Dem.) of Louisiana, a physician by profession, suggested during the brief discussion that a supplementary bill should be passed providing for Federal cooperation with the States in effecting cures of addicts.

ROTARIANS TAKE "CHILD CRUSADERS" SIGHTSEEING

Juvenile members of the Children's Crusade, who came to Washington to make a personal appeal for release of their fathers from Federal prisons, were given a sight-seeing trip this morning by the Washington Rotary Club, in their recently acquired bus.

Another attempt will be made this afternoon by the Crusaders to see President Harding at the White House in an effort to acquaint him with the object of their mission to Washington.

MABEL GARRISON'S BABY LIVES BUT A FEW HOURS

BALTIMORE, May 5.—Mabel Garrison, opera singer, who has been in a hospital here for some time, recently gave birth to a girl, but the child died after a few hours, it became known today.

Mrs. Garrison is the wife of George Stiemann, formerly a professor at the Peabody Conservatory.

Mrs. Garrison's physicians say that she will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

CHARITY OF U. S. IS NEEDED HERE, SAYS PUBLISHER

C. K. McClatchy Opposed to Further Relief for Europe Until Our Wants Are Met.

By WILLIAM HARD.

Cosmopolitan News Service. C. K. McClatchy, of Sacramento, Cal., having taken a vacation from running the Sacramento Bee in order to spend a couple of years looking around in Europe, and having just returned to his native land from those two years of observation, tells me that it is just about time that we stopped hurrying our money into the relief of destitute persons abroad and began to think a little bit more about the destitute persons who live right under our own eyes in the United States.

Mr. McClatchy says: "At the very moment when California was being honeycombed for the relief of the Poles and for the relief of the sufferers in the Near East, quite a number of orphan asylums in California were in danger of being closed because they could not obtain funds sufficient to keep them running. In one instance in Oakland, a director of such an institution wrote to me to say that it was a difficult task indeed to get money enough to keep up the supply of milk for the babies. At the same time the city of Oakland was sending tens of thousands of dollars across the seas."

Mr. McClatchy observed the relief given by means of American money to destitute children in many European cities, and he has compared it with what we have done for destitute children here during these hard times of business depression and of unemployment, and he says:

"Nothing was done for our own children in any way approaching what was done with our money for children in Poland, for children in Russia and for children in the Near East. Only a few months ago there was another big drive here in America for millions of dollars more for relief in the Near East. I talked with one of our relief workers in Constantinople. She was an admirable woman, a very zealous woman, and infatuated with her work. I told her of conditions existing in the United States and wondered why there were so many American women over in Europe helping to nourish and educate the offspring of aliens while the conditions in the United States needed so much attention. The good woman did not dispute my statements about the United States, but admitted them all. Her only answer was in these words: 'Mr. McClatchy, you don't get the thrill in your work in America that you do over here.'"

Mr. McClatchy believes that the time has come to stop having thrills abroad and get busy trying to get thrills by the enormous problems of destitution and demoralization and of crime within our own borders. His program is that from now onward our charity should not only begin but stay at home.

The case of Mr. Bakhmeteff, the ambassador without a country, brings back to mind a bold and sensible statement once made by Warren Gamaliel Harding against meddlesomeness abroad. One of the purposes to which Mr. Bakhmeteff devoted the funds in his care was a propaganda in favor of American support for Kolchak. Mr. Bakhmeteff, in his house on Sixteenth street in Washington, wanted Americans to go to Russia and help Kolchak beat Lenin and set up what was called a "stable" government in Russia.

In the course of that propaganda, Mr. Bakhmeteff's editorial agent got out a special issue of the pro-Kolchak magazine called "Struggling Russia," in which large numbers of distinguished Americans were induced to write articles and give interviews saying more or less "On to Moscow" and "Down with Lenin" and "Let us help the Russians to run Russia." Warren Gamaliel Harding was asked to appear among these distinguished mediocrities with other people's affairs. He appeared, but what he wrote was this:

"I do not think that it is for the outside world to re-establish stable government in Russia."

Mr. Harding as Senator was against meddlesomeness and he is against meddlesomeness as President. The recent action of the Illinois Republican State Convention will give added strength to his feelings against meddlesomeness. That convention resolved against the League of Nations outrightly and totally and it also firmly held that we ought not to undertake any official participation whatsoever in any board or commission set up under the covenant of the League of Nations or any other part of the Treaty of Versailles.

The nomination of Beveridge to Indiana is another additional support to the elements in Washington that resist the idea of official participation in the reparation commission and in other similar commissions under the Treaty of Versailles.

Action by America for American purposes and American ways abroad but no official entanglement with European institutions set up to meet European necessities and dominated (properly enough therefore) by local European politics.

MRS. MAYO AND CHILD COUPLE FOUGHT FOR



Mrs. Charlotte C. Mayo and her young child, over whose custody she and her husband cannot agree. An affidavit relating her alleged shortcomings failed to bring relief from attorney Roy A. Mayo, Fifth avenue broker, who is suing her for divorce.

U. S. TO RESUME SHOALS WORK IN MONTH, IS CLAIM

Sen. Norris Declares \$7,500,000 Appropriation to Carry Out Project Will Be Passed.

By International News Service. One year of idleness in the Government's construction of a water-power and nitrate project at Muscle Shoals, Ala., will be broken within thirty days, it was predicted today by Senator Norris of Nebraska, chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee.

An amendment for an appropriation of \$7,500,000, to provide funds for resumption of the work, will be added to the army appropriation bill in the Senate early next week, Norris said. Its passage is insured through full support from the Senate agricultural "bloc."

OVERSEAS WOMEN WILL NOT ENGAGE IN POLITICS

The Women's Overseas Service League, whose convention closed in Washington yesterday, will not enter politics, it was announced by the executive committee last night, in answer to reports that the league would take an active part in the coming political campaigns.

"Several misleading reports have made it appear that the league is favoring certain legislation and in a general way is entering the political field. We wish to deny emphatically that the league is favoring or disfavoring any legislation. It is not entering politics, and will not engage in any lobbying whatever. The league is strictly what it purports to be—an organization of women who served overseas, and its purpose is to assist in the care of disabled soldiers and American women who were disabled in the service overseas," declares the statement issued by the executive committee.

A favorable report, it was stated, has been given members of the league on the bill granting a charter to the league, similar to that of the American Legion. The league is composed of 2,000 women who served overseas during the war.

MRS. W. H. HERRON PICKED TO LEAD CENTURY CLUB

Mrs. W. H. Herron was yesterday afternoon chosen to head the Century Club at its annual meeting and election of officers at the Cosmos Club. More than 200 members of the club attended the election. Other officers elected were Mrs. F. H. Briggs and Mrs. F. G. Wilkin, vice presidents; Mrs. A. H. Brook and Mrs. R. S. Yard, secretaries; Miss Myra Hendley, treasurer, and Mrs. W. C. Allen, assistant treasurer.

Board of trustees elected is composed of Miss Grace Williams, Mrs. Truman Abbe, Mrs. Fred E. Warrington and Mrs. J. C. Merriman. Mrs. Lyman Swormsted, Mrs. A. R. Tracy, Mrs. E. C. Hardy and Mrs. J. T. Eslin were elected delegates to attend the summer convention at Chautauque, N. Y. A resolution approving the work of the committee in charge of the George Washington Memorial was adopted.

Safelower Convicted.

Arthur C. Strom was convicted yesterday in criminal court No. 1, Chief Justice McCoy presiding, of grand larceny. When arrested Feb-

RECORD ENTRY LIST RECORDED BY HORSE SHOW

Mrs. Helen B. Jones Arrives From Porto Rico With Prize Exhibits.

Officials of the National Capital Horse Show Association are "swamped" under a deluge of last-minute entries, sent by mail, and which insure the entry list being the largest in the history of the association. While the main entries are in the majority, there will be a large number of women riders who will show their horses, starting next Friday.

Mrs. Helen Buchanan Jones, daughter of Gen. James A. Buchanan and a notable horsewoman, has arrived from Porto Rico with her string of horses, including her famous hunter, Jessie Dear. Mrs. Jones rides and shows her own horses. Other women who have entered and will ride their own horses are Mrs. St. Clair Bowen, Miss Anna Hamlin, Miss Martha LaMar Ellis, Mrs. Gerald FitzGerald, Miss Ruth Hitchcock, Miss Katrina McCormick, Mrs. D. Rorke, Miss Lillian S. Sanger, Miss Mary E. Sanger, Miss Evelyn Walker, Mrs. A. J. Cummings and Mrs. Julia B. Whiting. Miss Elizabeth Mitchell, daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. William Mitchell, who was the sensation of last year's show, will ride again this year.

The largest entry received from a single person is that of Walker C. Lambert of the Mount View Farms, Germantown, Md., with forty-four entries.

MASK AND BAUBLE CLUB SHOW TO BE REPEATED

The Mask and Bauble Club of Georgetown University presented yesterday in a highly successful manner Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" at the Gonzaga Theater before a large and appreciative audience.

The production will be repeated to night and is given for the benefit of the university's athletic association. The committee in charge includes Charles O'Malley, chairman; Charles O'Byrne and James Kirpin.

The cast is composed of James McGowan, Robert Morgan, Laurence Downey, Joseph O'Connell, John O'Neill, Robert Ward, Joseph McDonough, John F. Daly, Louis Slattery, Arthur Lynch, Thomas Kernan, Edward Lynch, James McLarny, Charles Clifford, Joseph McQuillen, Charles O'Byrne, William Kall, Thomas Slattery, Frank Mahoney, Michael Bruder, James Kirpin, James McLarny, and Charles Perlit.

New Tariff Should Be Passed Some Time In 1946

The probable date of passage of the tariff bill at the present rate of progress in the Senate has been fixed by Treasury experts at September 29, 1946, Senator McCumber informed the Senate yesterday.

"The bill has been before the Senate thirteen days and in that time three amendments have been disposed of," the Senator said. "As there are 2,000 committee amendments, not counting the large number of individual amendments, it has been figured out that the final amendment will be disposed of on or about the date given."

The Senator complained of the use of time by Senators for discussion of politics and other subjects while the tariff bill is pending and urged them to give more attention to the bill while it is before the Senate.

PAN-AMERICAN UNION WILL ASK CANADA TO JOIN

Dominion Will Be Invited to Fifth Conference in Chile Next March.

By HARRY L. ROGERS, International News Service.

Canada probably will be invited to participate in the Fifth Pan-American Conference, which convenes in Santiago, Chile, next March, it was learned on high authority today.

Initial steps already have been taken among members of the union of twenty-one American republics toward sounding out the governments of Canada and Great Britain with a view to ascertaining their views upon a proposal for Canada to take part in the conference and later become a member of the union.

An effort also is being made to ascertain the attitude of the United States Government toward such a proposal, the general conviction being that Great Britain would be less likely to interpose an objection if it were known that the United States looked with favor upon the idea.

LLOYD GEORGE WARNS FRANCE ON RUSS POLICY

Republic Must Choose Between Belgium and Britain, Is Ultimatum.

By S. D. WEYER, International News Service.

Genoa, May 5.—Inter-allied war debts loomed up today as the club with which Premier Lloyd George, of England, is trying to swing France back into line in the international economic conference. It is learned that the British premier has conveyed a clear warning to France that she must choose between Belgium and Britain in her future attitude toward Russia.

Lloyd George is reported to have made it emphatically plain that he will not allow Belgium to wreck the conference because of the recalcitrant attitude toward Russia.

The German delegation today began to exert friendly but urgent pressure upon the Russians to have them accept the allied conditions for recognition of the Moscow soviet government.

The Germans are doing this partly because they feel it is an opportunity to make new eastern friends by steering a moderate course and partly because Premier Lloyd George has made it plain to Chancellor Wirth and Foreign Secretary Walter Rathenau that he expected German assistance in persuading the Russians to accept the allied statement of conditions.

It is understood that in return the British Premier promised to see what he could do for Germany on the indemnity question and will strive for any solution of the problem short of invasion, which is threatened by Premier Poincare of France.

O'CONNOR PLAYERS WILL GIVE BENEFIT SHOW

The O'Connor Players will give a benefit performance for the Welfare League of the Postoffice Department Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock, at the Postoffice building, Eleventh street and Pennsylvania avenue.

The performance will consist of three one-act plays, including "Aunt Jane," a comedy, with Helen Hurley playing the leading role, supported by Susan Freeman, Louise Carmody and Samuel Smith; "Boog-ieg," a pantomime play, and "Old Clothes," a character comedy.

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